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SUBJECT: PUERTO RICO IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24

REF: STATE 168416; USUN 2967, 2957 AND 2944

1. TANZANIAN FONMIN AND VICE FONMIN ARE OUTSIDE COUNTRY. AT REQUEST FONMIN PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, WHO SWAMPED WITH WORK, TOOK UP SUBJECT MATTER AUGUST 24 WITH FONMIN DIRECTOR EUROPE-AMERICA DIVISION, WILLIAM MBAGO.

2. I GAVE MBAGO COPY TEXT PUERTO RICO RESOLUTION (USUN 2967) AND COPY AMBASSADOR SCALI'S AUGUST 22 STATEMENT (USUN 2944). MBAGO READ BOTH CAREFULLY, COMMENTING AMBASSADOR SCALI'S STATEMENT IS FACTUAL, FORTHRIGHT PRESENTATION. I THEN SAID US WOULD REGARD ANY NATION VOTING FOR RESOLUTION CONTAINING CRITICISM OF US/PUERTO RICAN RELATIONSHIP OR OF DECISIONS WHICH PUERTO RICAN GOVERNMENT MAY TAKE IN ECONOMIC FIELD AS GROSS INTERVENTION IN US AND PUERTO RICO'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS, (USUN 2957, PARA 2). IN RESPONSE MBAGO'S QUESTIONS, DISCUSSED IN MORE DETAIL PROPOSED PETROCHEMICAL SUPERPORT, AD HOC COMMITTEE ON STATUS, AND U.S. PUERTO RICO RELATIONSHIP. REMINDED MBAGO US OPPOSED TO COMMITTEE 24 DISCUSSION OR ANY RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO. CONCLUDED BY
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URGING FONMIN INSTRUCT SALIM SALIM BY CABLE

TO ABSTAIN ON POSSIBLE MONDAY, AUGUST 27 VOTE ON TEXT OF RESOLUTION OR, AT MINIMUM, TO USE HIS INFLUENCE ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IN ARTICLE TWO OF RESOLUTION CRITICAL OF U.S. AND PUERTO RICO.

3. MBAGO SAID SALIM SALIL NOT LIKELY BE PRESENT FOR VOTE AUGUST 27 BECAUSE HE MAY ALREADY BE ENROUTE TO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN ALGIERS. WHILE IT MAY BE DIFFICULT FOR TANZANIAN REPRESENTATIVE ON COMMITTEE 24 TO NOW SWITCH HIS VOTE TO ABSTAIN BECAUSE OF LOSS OF FACE, REDRAFT OF ARTICLE TWO SEEMED REASONABLE REQUEST. MBAGO SAID IN HIS OPINION ARTICLE TWO OF TEXT ILLOGICAL ANYWAY UNTIL INFORMATION WHICH TO BE COLLECTED ACCORDING ARTICLE THREE IS IN FACT REVIEWED.

4. MBAGO PROMISED CONSULT WITH PRINCIPAL SECRETARY AND OTHER COLLEAGUES AND, UNLESS NEW INFORMATION DEVELOPED, TRY TO GET CABLE OFF TO TANZANIAN MISSION TO UN TODAY REPORTING US DEMARCHE THIS MATTER

AND SUGGESTING REDRAFT ARTICLE TWO.
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